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MARTHA TAYLOR GIVEN ONE YEAR

Police Court Docket was an Unimportant Affair Yesterday Morning.

The docket in the Police Court yesterday was a sorry one. There was not a case worth ten minutes of time in the disposal thereof, and not a single case of importance enough to be read on to the grand jury.

Martha A. Taylor (colored) was disorderly on the street, and when Detective Hall started to arrest her she Smithed in the game and put up an interference. It cost each of them \$10, and Martha went down for twelve months, while she got it for six.

Charles Branch (colored) was drunk. He went down for ten days, and had to pay \$10.

A Jones, for begging on the street and being a vag, was sent to the gang for thirty days.

John Monso was charged with shooting fire crackers in the First Market, but he was let off.

Montgomery Davis (colored) was held as a suspicious character until February 7th. He is believed to have had something to do with a shell game, and the detectives are working on the case.

Then there were half a dozen drunks, who were lined up and let off.

At the Theatres.

There will be matinee and night performances at the Bijou to-day. This will be the farewell of the Ross-Fenton company, which has given more solid and substantial satisfaction than any vaudeville combination that ever played in this house.

Thursday and Friday nights the demand for seats was so great that the free list was entirely suspended, and the same is true of the performances to-day. In point of actual receipts, the audience of Thursday was as large as the largest that has been seen in the house.

The critical canons that vaudeville has had its day are utterly defied by the phenomenal success of the Ross-Fenton company. The experience of the week has gone to show that given a well balanced bill, the public appreciates and evinces its appreciation to a very marked degree.

Next week the Bijou Comedy Company will arrive at the Bijou in a very elaborate revival of "A Texas Sier." The play will be superbly mounted and will be cast to the full strength of the company. The scenery has all been painted especially for this production, and all the costumes and accessories are new. Max Hoffman has written some special music, and Little Chib, Tony Hart, Otis Harlan and all the other favorites will be seen in new specialties. John Dunn will be in the leading role of the cast, as Max Hoffman, a part that he has played with distinction before. The usual performances will be given, and the advance sale of seats indicates that there will be some very large audiences. If, indeed, the house is not completely sold out for the week.

Amy Leslie in "A Night at the Circus" will be the only attraction at the Academy next week. A very elaborate production will be made of this play. In the circus scene three genuine acts will be introduced at a very great cost, and a regular ring performance will be given. For the rest of the week the house will be dark.

Property Transfers.

Richmond-Baldwin & Brown to J. S. Moore, 20 feet on south side Main Street, between Fifteenth and Seventeenth, \$11,000.

P. H. Bruner and wife to Miss Eva V. Palmer, 10-23 feet on north side Cary Street, 11-12 feet west of Plum Street, and 18 feet on east side Cherry Street, 137 feet south of China, \$1,000.

John Washington Hughes to J. B. Land, 24 1-2 feet on east side First Street, \$275.

David Simpson and wife to Mrs. Callie Lilly, 20 1-2 feet on north side Beverly Street, 110 1-2 feet, west of Beech, \$950.

Grace-Street Church.

The Rev. Dr. Witherspoon, pastor of the Grace-Street Presbyterian Church, will occupy his pulpit to-morrow morning and at night. The pastor will also be the subject in the morning "An Unfortunate Alliance," and at night his subject will be "God, Our Shield and Great Reward."

Charles E. Strauss, Jr., to Wed.

Mr. Charles E. Strauss, Jr., No. 524 West Grace Street, engaged in the wholesale cigar business, is to be married to Miss Jessie Morris of Norfolk, the daughter of Mr. Seligman Morris, a tobacco merchant. The date of the marriage is not fixed.

Railroad Earnings.

Chicago and Eastern Illinois for month of December surplus after interest, rentals and taxes, increase, \$34,221.

Southern Railway, December increase, \$23,200 and for six months, net increase, \$233,000.

Central of Georgia for December showed net increase, \$10,232, and for six months net increase, \$129,124, and Union Pacific for the same periods decreased.

TO OPPOSE DISPENSARY

Anti-Saloon League Will Fight
Claytor Bill.

TO CALL A MASS-MEETING

Resolutions and Petitions to Be Sent to the Legislature—Say the State Has No Right to Sell Liquor.

Contrary to general expectation, the Anti-Saloon League of Virginia, which has its headquarters in this city, will with all its might and main oppose the Claytor dispensary bill now being considered in the State Legislature. Plans are already being made to call mass-meetings all over Virginia and to send resolutions and petitions, protesting against the enactment of the ordinance.

By many it was thought that the bill fell in with the plans of the league and would meet with its hearty support. It was looked upon as a movement against the liquor traffic and as such was felt to be a proper thing for the organization to take up. But it turns out to be just the opposite. Not only will the league not endorse the proposed new law, but it will fight it to the last ditch.

HAS NO RIGHT.

In the opinion of the officers of the league, the whiskey business is an unmixed evil, and the State, they say, has no right to engage in a business which will be injurious to her citizens. It is true the Claytor bill provides for something different from what is prevailing in South Carolina, where the State government has control of the dispensary, but after all it amounts to pretty much the same thing. The dispensary, if the resolution goes through, are to be conducted in the several localities in the State and the authorities of the particular section in which they are located are to have charge of them.

To any such scheme as this the Anti-Saloon League is violently opposed. It has been the policy of the organization in making its fight to get the legislature possible, and to get rid of the saloon a little at the time, rather than not at all.

The Claytor bill is certainly a move against whiskey, but it legalizes a business which, it is held, is wholly bad. In endorsing it the league would be endorsing the saloon and the political conditions to which the dispensary scheme is said to have resulted in South Carolina. Hence a decided stand will be taken against the proposed legislation. Very shortly a circular letter will be sent broadcast over the State. Mass-meetings will be held, resolutions will be adopted, and petitions without end will be sent to the delegates in the Legislature.

THE MANN BILL.

As another means of fighting the Claytor bill, the league will redouble its efforts in behalf of the Mann bill. Another huge batch of petitions is in hand and many more are being drawn up.

These petitions read as follows:

We, the undersigned citizens and voters, are informed that the Mann liquor bill, in addition to the requirements of the present law, makes it necessary for the saloon-keeper to personally attend to his business and contains the following provisions:

1. That license shall not be granted at any place where there is no police protection.
2. That the judge must be satisfied that the country of the qualified voters of the district or town favor the license.
3. That the granting of the license will not be contrary to a sound public policy.
4. That the morals or material interests of the community will not be injuriously affected.

We favor this bill, and, believing it will result in good to our Commonwealth, earnestly and respectfully request our Senators and representatives to vote and work for its passage.

FAVORS CLUB MEASURE.

The forthcoming issue of the Christian Federation, the organ of the league, will contain an editorial on the subject of the dispensary law, and others on the subject of the Mann bill. It favors and on the proposition to make local clubs pay the regular license tax before they can sell whiskey to the members. With reference to the latter, the Federation will declare that clubs with bars attached should be required to get out a license as well as any saloon. The league will give its entire support to this proposition.

SENTENCED FOR MURDER

Prisoner Asked Stay of Sentence in Impassioned Tones.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa., January 30.—At Sunbury, in the presence of a large assemblage of attorneys and spectators that filled every available inch of space in the large courthouse, Judge Savidge Thursday afternoon sentenced Jacob S. Gearhart, the Shamokin wife-murderer, to death. When asked if he had anything to say why sentence should not be passed upon him, Gearhart, with uplifted hand and a somewhat trembling, but strong, voice, exclaimed:

"Yes, your honor! I am not guilty, but I am not a child in the middle, and I ask for a new trial, because I was tried by a prejudiced jury. Mr. Brown testified at the trial that he had shaken hands and talked with me at the jail, which was not true. As every one knows that you could not extend the hand through the cell door."

As proof of this he named Sheriff Dietrich and Warden Corcoran. Trembling with emotion, which he could not conceal, and with his finger pointed toward heaven, he cried out in a loud voice:

"God is going to paralyze Mr. Brown's tongue, so that he can never tell a truth or lie, for he is a dangerous man to both man and beast."

He told of other testimony that was prejudiced against him, then continued:

"I raise my hand before God that I never wrote the letter produced against me, or saw them before the trial. I am sorry, Judge, that you can't give me a new trial to prove all that I've said; but the Supreme Court will never leave a man mount the scaffold that has been convicted by such a jury as the one which decided my fate."

Counsel for Gearhart will at once appeal to the Supreme Court.

LAMB CASE.

Will Be Heard by Justice Crutchfield To-Day.

The case of R. M. Lamb, who is charged with forging an order for \$30 by signing the name of A. Marchetti & Brothers last summer, will be heard in the Police Court to-day. The case has been continued a number of times.

The 3 1/2 per cent. semi-annual dividend on the Preferred Stock of the W. L. Douglas Shoe Co. was paid January 1, 1903, to all preferred stockholders. This was at the rate of 7 per cent. per annum. All stock sold in the month of February will receive Six months' dividend July 1, 1903.

W. L. DOUGLAS 7% STOCK

Safest Investment in America.

Only \$400,000 of the Issue of \$1,000,000 Preferred 7 per cent. Stock of the W. L. DOUGLAS SHOE CO., of Brockton, Mass., Remains for Sale in Lots of One Share or More. If you Want Some of This Gilt-edge Stock You Must Act Quickly. The Stock Pays 7 per cent. Annual Dividends, Payable Semi-Annually. SHARES ARE FULL PAID AND NON-ASSESSABLE—SOLD AT PAR (\$100.00) ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS EACH

REASONS FOR SELLING THE STOCK

The reason for offering this stock for sale is solely to perpetuate the business which I have devoted my life to build up. I desire to enlist the interest of a large number of people in all parts of the country, and in order to do this I am offering the safest 7 per cent. investment in America. I retain a one-half interest in the business, my interest being represented by the common stock.

The W. L. Douglas Shoe Co. is not over-capitalized, not a single dollar's worth of watered stock is offered the public. I wish to emphasize the fact that THE W. L. DOUGLAS SHOE COMPANY IS A SUCCESSFUL CORPORATION, probably the most successful of any money-earning corporation of any shoe manufacturing concern in this country.

I am not offering this stock for sale to liquidate any indebtedness. Everything the company owns is absolutely free from encumbrance of any sort, and the company has sufficient cash capital to conduct a business of \$1,000,000 a year without borrowing. My sole object in selling this stock is the perpetuation of the business and the preservation to my estate of the good-will of the concern, which I consider more valuable than the good-will of any similar business in this country. This good-will, please remember, is represented wholly by the common stock, which is not for sale.

PROPERTY OWNED BY THE COMPANY

The W. L. Douglas Shoe Co. owns and operates at Brockton, Mass., the largest Goodyear welt (hand-sawed process) plant, and makes more shoes of this kind than any other manufacturer in the world. The company also owns and operates a leather tannery in connection with its factory. In 46 of the principal American cities in the very best locations the Douglas Shoe Co. owns outright and conducts 64 retail shoe stores, each and every one of which contributes to the net profits of the business. The company also sells its product to retail shoe dealers in towns and cities where it has no store.

STATISTICS OF THE BUSINESS

Facts and Figures Showing That the W. L. Douglas Shoe Co. Has More Than Doubled Its Business and Profits in Four Years, While at the Same Time Paying Out of the Earnings All Cost of Enlargements and Improvements.

This business has been continuously prosperous for more than 25 years. Its ability to grow large profits is not affected by panic or dull times. The business was extremely profitable through all the panic years from 1890 to 1895.

In four years the business has more than doubled in magnitude, and after expending during these four years the sum of \$24,529.59 for enlargement and improvement of the manufacturing plant and the fitting up of new stores, the net profits for the year 1902 were more than double those of the year 1898. THE CASH EARNINGS AVAILABLE FOR THE PAYMENT OF DIVIDENDS IN THE YEAR 1902 WERE SUFFICIENT TO PAY 7 PER CENT. DIVIDEND ON MORE THAN FOUR MILLION DOLLARS, whereas under the form of incorporation and capitalization only 7 per cent. on one million dollars is all that is absolutely necessary to be earned to pay 7 per cent. dividend to all preferred stockholders. I cite this fact to show that there is not the slightest doubt that the company is able to pay its 7 per cent. dividend regularly, no matter what the business conditions of our country may be. THERE HAS NOT BEEN A YEAR IN THE PAST TWELVE, WHICH INCLUDES PANIC YEARS, THAT THIS BUSINESS HAS NOT EARNED MUCH MORE MONEY THAN WAS NECESSARY TO PAY 7 PER CENT. ON \$1,000,000.

The capitalization of the company is but \$2,000,000. This is divided into \$1,000,000 preferred stock and \$1,000,000 common stock. Only the preferred stock is offered for sale. Behind the preferred stock there is a \$1,000,000 of actual tangible assets ready convertible into cash. The common stock I retain. The common stock represents the good will of the business, which I consider very valuable. It

should also impress upon the mind of the investor the fact that he is sure of getting his 7 per cent. dividend regularly from the fact that I CANNOT RECEIVE ONE CENT OF DIVIDEND UNTIL THE FULL 7 PER CENT. HAS BEEN PAID TO EVERY PREFERRED STOCKHOLDER.

MANAGEMENT OF THE COMPANY

W. L. Douglas is President of the Corporation—its Affairs Have Been and Will Continue to Be Managed by a Board of Directors Elected by All the Stockholders.

I wish to correct the impression that this is a one-man business—that I am the active managing head of the concern. That idea may be complimentary to me, in view of the great financial success of the business, but it is not quite fair to the capable, painstaking gentlemen who compose the Board of Directors of the W. L. Douglas Shoe Company. As a matter of actual fact, I have for several years devoted very little time to the affairs of the company; only a few hours a day when I am in Brockton. It is by no stretch of imagination a one-man business, and its continued success is not in any measure wholly dependent upon me personally.

The business is now, and has been for several years, managed by a Board of Directors composed of capable business men. They know my system and method of manufacturing and selling shoes. Under their direct management the business has more than doubled in four years, which should prove to any one that the management is and will continue to be in capable hands. This plan of management was introduced by me a great many years ago for the purpose of making the business permanently prosperous without requiring my personal supervision. It is needless to add that it has been a perfect success. As a further evidence that I have confidence in the wisdom of this method of management, I would state that I am now, and always expect to be, the owner of more than one-half of the total stock of the company. If I am satisfied with the method of management, surely the preferred stockholders should be.

WHY YOU SHOULD BUY THIS STOCK

If you are a careful, conservative investor—one who will be satisfied with a safe and permanent 7 per cent. investment—you should buy this stock today while it can be secured at par—one hundred dollars per share. There is nothing whatever of a speculative nature about the purchase of this 7 per cent. preferred stock. For more than twenty-five years it has earned more than 7 per cent. on its capitalization, and there is absolutely no doubt of this stock always paying 7 per cent.

It should also be remembered that the business of the corporation is now much larger than at any period of its history. The business for the year 1902 was more than double that of 1898—only four years ago—and for this year of 1903 the business was again increased. This year's business will show an increase of nearly a million dollars over 1902, bringing the total annual business transacted by the corporation up to over \$5,000,000.

This 7 per cent. preferred stock will undoubtedly bring a premium of \$5 per share within two years' time.

The 7 Per Cent. Preferred Stock of the W. L. Douglas Shoe Co. is in the nature of a first mortgage on all the present assets of the company or assets it may acquire in the future. No bonds or mortgages can be placed on the property of the company to lessen the security of the preferred stockholders.

It is a fact not generally understood that the business of the W. L. Douglas Shoe Co. is in the nature of an exclusive right to the manufacture of a staple article of merchandise. This is true from the fact that I have spent millions of dollars in advertising my shoes to the people, in creating and maintaining a demand that no other shoe manufacturing corporation in the world can supply, because my name and price are stamped on the bottom of every pair of genuine Douglas shoes.

The wholesale and retail price of the standard makes of shoes of the W. L. Douglas Shoe Co. has not been changed in 18 years. The constant demand for Douglas shoes, both in the Douglas retail stores

and from the retail shoe dealers throughout the country, keeps the factory busily employed, and the magnitude of the business enables the corporation to buy its raw materials in such large quantities that it can, and does, get lower prices than the ordinary small shoe manufacturing concerns. Manufacturing from 8,000 to 10,000 pairs of shoes per day allows us to reduce manufacturing cost to the minimum, all such savings contributing to the net profits.

There is no better investment in the country now available to the public. Large blocks of this stock have been sold to careful business men. I have also sold many single shares to working people and persons who have small amounts of money in savings bank. This is a good investment for the large investor, and it is equally as good for the workman and small investor, because the investment is safe and the dividends certain.

This is unquestionably the opportunity of a lifetime to buy a 7 per cent. preferred stock at par that is sure to advance in price. Why not buy now, and not only secure the 7 per cent. dividend, but secure the advance as well? All stock sold during the month of January will be dated Jan. 1, 1903, so that holders of the stock will receive the full six months' dividend the first day of next July.

THOROUGH INVESTIGATION INVITED

The most searching investigation of all the books, papers and records of the W. L. Douglas Shoe Co. is invited, and every facility will be afforded any prospective investor or his representative who may come to the corporation's office at Brockton, Mass. EVERY STATEMENT IN THIS ADVERTISEMENT IS ABSOLUTELY TRUE. NOTHING WHATEVER IS OVERSTATED. The company's books will substantiate the facts here set forth. I strongly urge upon any one who has the least doubt of the stability of this investment to come themselves or send some one to investigate and learn the facts by personal observation.

W. L. DOUGLAS.

How to Get This 7% Preferred Stock

You can get one or more shares of this 7 per cent. Preferred stock at once and have it date back to January 1, 1903, by sending cash, certified check, cashier's check, express or postoffice money order to W. L. Douglas, Brockton, Mass.

30-DAY OPTION CERTIFICATE

It is perfectly natural that so exceptional an investment as this should be quickly grasped by the most shrewd and conservative American investors. For this reason the opportunity may be a thing of the past at any time. It is necessary for those interested to act quickly, and in order to give plenty of time and opportunity for investigation, if desired, 30-day option certificates are being issued. To secure one of these option certificates, fill out the coupon below, stating the number of shares desired, giving your name and address. On receiving this coupon I will send you an option certificate, good for 30 days, and other information that will convince you of the desirability of this investment. This entails no obligation on your part. Cut out the coupon, secure the 30-day option first, and do your investigating afterwards.

W. L. DOUGLAS, Brockton, Mass.

Please send prospectus of the W. L. Douglas Shoe Company and special option certificate entitling me to purchase within thirty days.... shares of the 7 per cent. preferred stock of the company. It is understood that this request incurs no obligation on my part, unless after investigation I subscribe for the stock.

Name.....(140)
Street Address.....
City or town.....State.....

Please make checks payable to and address all letters for information and option certificates to W. L. DOUGLAS, Brockton, Mass.

With the Railroads

District Passenger Agent Warthen, of the Chesapeake and Ohio, announced yesterday that beginning next Sunday the right train, which has been leaving Richmond at 7 o'clock, will be replaced by a fast western bound train, leaving the city at 10:30 o'clock. The change in schedule is being made to give the right train, which has been leaving Richmond at 7 o'clock, will be replaced by a fast western bound train, leaving the city at 10:30 o'clock. The change in schedule is being made to give the right train, which has been leaving Richmond at 7 o'clock, will be replaced by a fast western bound train, leaving the city at 10:30 o'clock.

The traveling public, however, will be gratified to learn that the fast flyers between Richmond and Norfolk will continue, no change in their schedules having so much as been contemplated.

Colonel William M. Shaw, district passenger agent for the Burlington Railroad, with headquarters at Cincinnati, was a visitor to the city yesterday, calling upon a number of the local railroad men. He left last night for Washington.

Mr. S. H. Hardwick, general passenger agent of the Southern Railroad, spent a few hours in Richmond yesterday.

After wrestling with the problem of adopting standard forms of ticket contracts that would be uniform throughout the United States and Canada, the members of the International Committee on Ticket Contracts, which was in session in Atlanta for the past several days, adjourned yesterday afternoon without having reached a decision. Another meeting will be held this spring, at which time an agreement will probably be reached.

The general passenger agents of the Chicago and Florida held an important meeting at the Transportation Club, in Atlanta, Thursday afternoon, at which a number of plans in regard to the through trains from the Windy City to the Land of Flowers were discussed at some length, with a view to reaching a general schedule agreement.

Among those present was W. J. Craig, G. P. A., A. C. L.

Joseph Sands, general superintendent of the Southern Railroad for their eastern district, has resigned his position, the news reaching Richmond yesterday in the form of a telegram to officials of the company in this city. No reason has been assigned for the sudden resignation of Mr. Sands, but it has been learned that his successor will be named immediately.

Official announcement has been made

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9:00 A. M. 3:00 P. M.
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NORFOLK LIMITED ...
LEAVES RICHMOND 9:00 A. M.
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LEAVES RICHMOND 3:00 P. M.
ARRIVES NORFOLK 5:20 P. M.

TICKET OFFICES: Byrd Street Union Station; Richmond Transfer Co., 819 Main Street; Murphy's Hotel and The Jefferson; and OFFICE OF THE COMPANY, 838 MAIN STREET.

JNO. E. WAGNER, City Pass. and Ticket Agent.

C. H. BOSLEY, District Passenger Agent.

These two fast trains run solid from Byrd Street Union Station, Richmond, into the Norfolk & Western depot, Norfolk, without change of cars.

Orders Sixty Days Ahead.

The Southern Glass Company is rushed with orders. Certain departments of the business are sixty days ahead of the supply, and the company was never doing a larger volume. Members of the firm say that the report that several men had been put off because of the lack of orders is incorrect, but that the men were laid off because they were not, in their opinion, suited for the particular work for which men were needed.

Will of Mr. Morton.

William Waller Morton qualified yesterday morning as administrator of the estate of his father, Mr. Robert C. Morton, a well known tobaccoist, who died last

week at his residence on Franklin Street. The value of the estate is fixed at \$17,500.

Joseph O. Phillips qualified as administrator of the estate of Sarah W. Phillips in the Chancery Court yesterday morning.

The February term of the City Circuit Court will convene next week, Judge Wellford presiding.

Yarbrough's Mild Burley.

The trade will take notice that orders for this celebrated Tobacco will be filled at the factory promptly as usual.